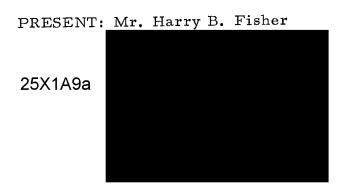
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CIA RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING

2:30 p. m., 15 November 1971



- Chairman
- DDS&T Member
- DDI Member
- DDS Member
- DDP Member
- Legal Advisor
- Technical Advisor
- Recording Secretary
- Executive Secretary

: Dr. John R. Tietjen, Director of Medical Services GUEST

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This meeting was called in order to discuss with Dr. Tietjen the request for disability retirement submitted by 1A9a The Board of Medical Examiners has recommended to the Director of request not be approved. The Director of 25X1A9a Personnel that 25X1A9a Personnel notified of this recommendation and stated that he wished to appeal this decision. Following the discussion at will appear before the Board at its next reguthis meeting, larly scheduled meeting.

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The Chairman briefed the Board on the background of this case and concerning his conversations with _____ The Chairman also noted personal physician had stated that he should not be working and that he was disabled. _____stated that in discussing this type of case with Mr. Andrew Ruddock, Director of Bureau of Retirement and Insurance, he stated that in some cases where there is a difference of opinion between the applicants physician and the medical examiners, the BRI will refer the case to an independent specialist for his opinion. Mr. Ruddock also stated that if the adjudicator concludes that there is genuine doubt in a case, that doubt is resolved in favor of the applicant.

Dr. Tietjen then briefed the Board on the procedures followed by the Office of Medical Services and the Board of Medical Examiners with regard to a request for disability retirement under CIARDS. He stated that the Board of Medical Examiners considers the evidence provided by the applicants physician, the supervisor's statement, the applicants evidence,

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	the administrative evidence and the results of examinations by the various Divisions of the Office of Medical Services. Dr. Tietjen stated that the conclusion of the Board of Medical Examiners was that
25X1A9a 25X1A9a	have impairments, but they do not think he is disabled. Dr. Tietjen then briefed the Board on the medical history of beginning with an accident which occurred in 1961, which involved a box of ammunition which
25X1A9a 25X1A9a	fell and struck him on the left shoulder. Dr. Tietjen stated that following D/Pers notification to the met with the with the who provided him with a memorandum from his private physician. However, after review
25X1A9a	by the members of the Board of Medical Examiners it was their combined opinion that there was no new evidence and that further deliberations were
25X1A9a	not in order. was so advised.
25X1A9a 25X1A9a	asked if job description included the responsibility to overseas TDY duty. Dr. Tietjen stated that the record reflects that of recent years they have approved him for TDY and overseas planning, as late as January 1971. Asked Dr. Tietjen what the degree of impairment was in this case. Dr. Tietjen stated that the man can not do arduous work or lift heavy objects, but in terms of anything else - he can do anything else. 25X1A9a
25X1A9a 25X1A9a	report on 28 April 1961, which was submitted to BEC in June 1962. BEC asked for considerable more information and in March 1963 they disallowed the claim. The claim was resubmitted in June 1965 and in December 1965 the following was received from BEC, "This notice will inform you that the Bureau accepts that this employee bruised his left shoulder 19 April 1961. The symptoms resulting from this injury did not persist beyond June 1963. The complaints of 1965 for which the employee has received medical examinations and care pertaining to the cervical region did not result from the injury of 19 April 1961. He should consider the charges for all medical services after June 1963 as his personal responsibility. No further examinations or medical treatment are authorized in this case."
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In answer to question regarding the possible opinion of an independent specialist, Dr. Teitjen stated that the Board of Medical Examiners would be happy to reopen the case if any new evidence is presented.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p. m.

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Executive Secretary